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At the Council-Chamber in *Whitehall*, the 2d day of *November*, 1697.

PRESENT

Their Excellencies the Lords-Juſtices in Council.

WHereas divers of His Majeſty's Subjects who are attainted of High-Treaſon, or who have been in Rebellion againſt His Majeſty, and other Dangerous and Diſaffected Perſons, have withdrawn themſelves into France, *and other Parts beyond the Seas. And whereas Information hath been given to this Board, that ſome Perſons, being His Majeſty's Subjects, have lately come out of* France *into this Kingdom without any Permiſſion or Leave for the ſame, which if not prevented may endanger the Safety of His Majeſty's Royal Perſon, and diſturb the Peace of this Kingdom. Their Excellencies the Lords-Juſtices in Council, taking the ſame into Conſideration, have thought fit to Order, that all Mayors, Juſtices of the Peace, and other Magiſtrates and Officers whom it may concern, in or near the reſpective Ports of this Kingdom, do take care and give the neceſſary Directions, that all Perſons, being His Majeſty's Subjects, who ſhall come out of* France *into this Kingdom, not having a Paſs from His Majeſty, be apprehended and ſecured in ſafe Cuſtody, together with their Papers, till they are Examined; In order to which the ſaid Magiſtrates are to give notice from time to time, to One of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, of all Perſons ſo apprehended, that ſuch further Directions may be given concerning them as ſhall be requiſite. And to the intent all Perſons concerned may take due notice hereof, Their Excellencies have thought fit to Direct, that this Order be Printed, and alſo Publiſhed in the* Gazette.

JOHN POVEY.

Their Excellencies the Lords-Juſtices having received Information in Council, that there was Printed and Publiſhed in a Paper, Entituled, The Poſt-Man, *Seditious News, with Falſe and Scandalous Reflections upon ſome Perſons of the greateſt Quality in the Court of* France, *the Printer and Publiſher of the ſaid Paper were Examined in Council, and Their Excellencies thereupon thought fit to order, that they ſhould be committed to the Cuſtody of a Meſſenger, and proſecuted according to Law for the ſaid Offence.*

Venice, Oct. 25. The Senate received the laſt week Letters from the Captain-General, dated the 14th of the laſt month at *Napoli di Romania*, wherein he gives an account, that the Turks having formed a deſign to attack the *Morea*, the Seraskier of *Negrepont* marched about the end of *Auguſt* with 7000 Foot and 3000 Horſe towards the Iſthmus of *Corinth*, and at the ſame time the Captain-Baſſa approached towards that Coaſt with the Turkiſh Fleet, to countenance this deſign; The Venetian Captain-General having received advice hereof, ſailed with the Fleet under his command, to obſerve their motions; and on the firſt Inſtant he had ſight of the Enemies Fleet near *Andros*; They engaged the ſame day, and the Fight laſted about 4 hours, when the Turkiſh Fleet bore away, ſeveral of their Ships were much ſhartered, and particularly that on board of which was the Captain-Baſſa, who was himſelf wounded by a Muſket Shot, and they have loſt about 2000 Men, as was afterwards reported by ſome Priſoners; On the ſide of the Venetians the loſs would have been inconſiderable, had not the Ship called the *St. Sebaſtian* ſome hours after the Fight was ended, unfortunately blown up, by what accident not known, and moſt of the Men deſtroyed, there being beſides Seamen, the greateſt part of a Regiment of Foot on board. At Land the Venetian and Turkiſh Forces lay for ſeveral days very near each other, and ſome Skirmiſhes happened, though none of conſequence; But on the 10th of *September* the Turks decamped, and marched back to *Thebes*. Two days ago arrived here a Veſſel from *Napoli di Romania*, whence ſhe departed the firſt of this month, and brings an account, that the two Fleets before-mentioned met again on the 18th of the laſt month, and Cannonaded each other ſeveral hours, till the night parted them. The Auxiliary Galleys ſeeing no further likelihood of any Action, left the Venetian Fleet about the end of the laſt month, and are returning home. The new Captain-General is embarked, and intends to ſail to morrow with a great Convoy for the *Morea*.

Cracow, Oct. 18. The King of *Poland* continues ſtill here, expecting his Forces which are on their march from *Hungary*; Several Deputies arrived here two days ago from the Army which is poſted near *Lembergh*, to repeat the Aſſurances of their Fidelity to his Majeſty, and of their readineſs to march againſt his Enemies, when-ever he ſhall pleaſe to command them; The King received them very kindly, and told them, that his Affairs are in ſo good a condition, and the Endeavours of his Enemies hitherto ſo unſucceſsful, that he did not believe there would be any occaſion to remove them from the Frontiers, where they are ſo neceſſary to obſerve the Tartars, eſpecially at this time when a conſiderable Body of them are drawn together near *Cameniec*. The King is ſending Ambaſſadors to the Emperor and other Princes; and 'tis diſcourſed, that Endeavours are uſing, with good appearance of ſucceſs, to bring Prince *Sapieha*, and ſome other conſiderable Men of his Party, over to his Majeſty's Intereſts.

Warſaw, Oct. 26. The Summons ſent out by the Primate for the Gentlemen of his Party to meet on the 10th of this month, has not had the Effect he expected; For not above 12 or 1300 met together at *Lenitz*, the Rendezvous in *Lower Poland*; with part of theſe (the reſt thinking it much more prudent to return home again) the Primate repaired to this place on the 16th Inſtant, where they held a Council, and reſolved; That the Prince of *Conti* ſhould be again proclaimed King of *Poland*, and Protector of their Liberties; That a Deputation be ſent to him, to adjuſt the *Pacta-Conventa*; That Deputies be likewiſe ſent to the Moſt Chriſtian King; That Commiſſioners be appointed to examine and pay the Arrears of the Army, towards which the Prince of *Conti* will give a Million; That the Prince of *Conti* might ſummon in the Gentry or *Poſpolite*, ſo ſoon as he has ſworn to obſerve the *Pacta-Conventa*; and that the Rokotz or Confederacy ſhould continue till the Affairs of the Kingdom were quietly ſetled; 'Twas moved at this meeting, that the Triumphal Arches erected here in Honour to the Elector of *Saxony* as King of *Poland*, ſhould be pulled down, but they came to no Reſolution therein; The Aſſembly being broke up, the Primate proclaimed the Prince of *Conti*, and Sung *Te Deum*; and then returned to his Caſtle at *Lowitz*. The King of *Poland* has cauſed a Declaration to be publiſhed, giving notice to all his Subjects of his having been Crowned at *Cracow*, and commanding them to be in a readineſs to appear in Arms, upon the firſt Summons he ſhall ſend out for that purpoſe; and this Declaration was brought hither the 15th of the laſt month by the Palatin of *Plosko*, and affixed in the moſt publick places of this City. The Saxon Forces commanded by General *Fleming* and General *Brandt* march towards *Pruſſia*.

Dantzick, Nov. 30. The Sieur *du Bart*'s Squadron lies ſtill in our Road, he has been ſeveral times in this City, and the Magiſtrates have given him leave to furniſh himſelf here with what Proviſions he wants. The Prince of *Conti* comes often aſhore, and confers at the Monaſtery of *Oliva* with the Gentlemen ſent to him from *Poland*; and 'tis this day reported, that he has taken his leave of ſeveral of them, intending to depart from hence in few days, unleſs he receive a better Account of things from *Poland*. The Saxon Forces have paſſed *Thorne* in their march this way.

Vienna, Oct. 26. We are every day expecting an account of the Expedition to *Boſſina*; The Forces employed in it rendezvouſed at *Brod*, and were there reviewed by Prince *Eugene* of *Savoy*; The reſt of the Army are gone to Quarters. The Emperor has, at the deſire of the King of *Poland*, not only conſented that the Saxon Forces in *Hungary*, ſhall march to *Poland*, but has likewiſe ordered three Regiments of Imperial Dragoons to march thither immediately, and to obey ſuch Orders as they ſhall receive from his Majeſty or his Generals.

Cologne, Nov. 5. The Forces on the *Upper-Rhine* are marched to their Quarters. The Deputies of the Circle of *Weſtphalia* are to meet here the next week, to agree on the number of Troops they are to maintain in the time of Peace.

Paris,